Quality Times

Quote of the Quarter

"You have to believe that what your doing is important, that it makes a difference. And if you believe it strongly enough, you'll work hard enough so that it will make a difference"
Robert Mondavi

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THE 5TH ANNUAL PROCUREMENT AND QUALITY CONFERENCE

NAVSEALOGCENDET Portsmouth will be sponsoring their Fifth Annual Procurement and Quality Conference on 7-9 May 2002 again at Cooper River Landing, The Conference Center, Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center, Charleston, South Carolina. Last year over 275 individuals attended our conference, and we anticipate a large group again this year.   For more information (i.e., registration, logistics and agenda) go to www.nslcptsmh.navsea.navy.mil and click on "Conference Information" under Products/Services/other. We are still taking requests/suggestions for specific topics or recommendations.   Please email questions or comments to our Conference Coordinator at [lelandpa@navsea.navy.mil].

WHAT'S NEW WITH THE CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT REPORTING SYSTEM (CPARS) AUTOMATED INFORMATION SYSTEM (AIS)

As mentioned in a previous issue, the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) has signed a Memorandum of Agreement to use the CPARS AIS to collect and process contractor assessments on their contracts. NAVSEALOGCENDET Portsmouth and Mantech Services provided CPARS training at the Defense Supply Center (DSCP) Philadelphia, PA and the Defense Energy Support Center (DESC), Ft. Belvoir, VA. DSCP is in the process of implementing CPARS and has completed their first assessment. Training must still be coordinated with the Defense Supply Centers located in Columbus, OH, and Richmond, VA.

FLASH!! The Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) recently visited NAVSEALOGCENDET Portsmouth to discuss the possible use of the CPARS AIS rather than continue using its existing "Past Performance Tool." This development will translate into savings for DISA and move DoD one step closer to presenting "one face" to industry for contractor assessments required by FAR Part 42.15. Stay tuned!

On September 5, 2001, NAVSEALOGCENDET Portsmouth issued a new release of the CPARS AIS. Some of the new features include additional ratings metrics, reducing the number of passwords for users, improved status reports, improved data entry capability, and enhanced on-line help. A special thank you to all the folks at NAVSEALOGCENDET Portsmouth, Mantech Services, and SPAWAR Systems Center, Newport, RI who worked hard to make this release a success.

The next CPARS Management Board (CMB) meeting will be held 9-10 January 2002 at Eglin Air Force Base, FL. Representatives from Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, DLA and other defense agencies will be discussing future system enhancements, policy changes, compliance, and a number of other CPARS issues.

If you need more information on CPARS don't hesitate to call NAVSEALOGCENDET Portsmouth at DSN 684-1690, extension 451, or e-mail smithwt1@navsea.navy.mil.
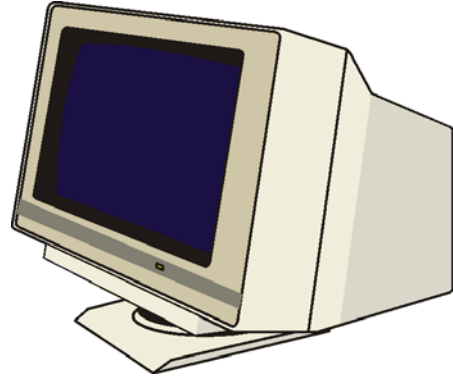
AWARD WINNER (!): NAVSEALOGCEN DET Portsmouth has been notified that the Contractor Performance Assessment Reporting System (CPARS) and Past Performance Automated Information System (PPAIS) applications team has been selected as a winner of DoD's second highest award in the Acquisition field: The Defense Acquisition Executive Certificate of Achievement. This award is established to enable the Defense Acquisition Executive to provide personal recognition to individuals, groups or teams who have made exceptional contributions to improving life cycle costs and/or the Department's acquisition systems and programs. Congratulations to the CPARS and PPAIS acquisition team!

PQDR WEB ENABLEMENT

The NAVSEALOGCENDET Portsmouth office deployed a new web enabled Product Quality Deficiency Report (PQDR) system in October 2001. Since the deployment, all the Naval Shipyards and supply codes have received initial training on how to access and initiate a PQDR using the web enabled system. The initial training identified many user-requested enhancements to facilitate each activity's unique business process requirements. These requirements were evaluated and many of them have been incorporated into a new release deployed the end of December 2001.

The current web PQDR system has full functionality from the Originator through Screening and Action points, including the ability to forward attachments along with the PQDR record. Some of the new features of the web PQDR include links to Haystack and Webflis for cross-referencing part numbers to NIINS, verifying DODAACS, CAGE codes, and unit pricing.

NAVSEALOGCENDET Portsmouth plans on completing development of the Support Point functions in February 2002. When the Support Point functions have been completed DCMA will begin transitioning their PQDR database from MOCAS to PDREP for all PQDRs received from government agencies for investigation.

This web PQDR system will enable the Navy and Marine Corps to participate in a DoD initiative underway to allow all Services to pass PQDR records across component lines via the web for deficiency investigations. This initiative will also allow all Services to query all DoD PQDR databases for contractor and product past performance history and data analysis.

If your activity would like additional information/training on the new web enabled PQDR system please call DSN 684-1690 ext. 462, or comm. (603) 431-9460 ext. 462. E-mail: macdonalddl@navsea.navy.mil.
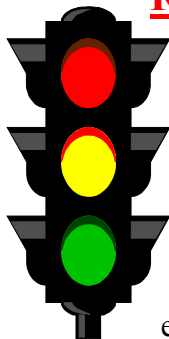
PDREP

On December 26th, NAVSEALOGCENDET Portsmouth issued Phase III to our web applications. The following is a list of changes made to the PDREP Application modules:

1. On Login, the "Enter" Key operates similar to clicking the login button

2. The "Change Password" function was changed to allow similar type passwords

3. Under "PDREP" the following changes/additions were made:
   a. Data Entry:
      (1) PQDR Changes (see attached document)
      (2) Survey records can now be added via the web

b. Downloads - NAVICP and NAVSEALOG Extracts are now available
c. Reports - the following were added:
    (1) DLA Summary
    (2) MIR L1/Quarterly
d. Search - following functions are now available:
    (1) DLA Search Count (excluding DLA CDCS Closed records)
    (2) DLA Search Line Item
    (3) DLA Search View
    (4) PDREP Search Count
    (5) PDREP Search Line Item (View portion still being worked)
e. Upload Function is now available
    (1) Load Batch - allows users to upload data to the PDREP database
    (2) Load Batch Report - allows Users to review their uploaded data to assure all information was added to the database.

4. CSR Report now made easier to scroll through.

If you experience any problems, please let our help desk know (DSN 684-1690, extension 486 or Commercial (603) 431-9460, Ext. 486).

RED\YELLOW\GREEN UPDATE

The RYG web application is now fully implemented. We have received positive feedback from our users on the changes that have been made. A training demo on RYG can be downloaded from the NAVSEALOGCENDET Portsmouth's website under Products/Services/Other and clicking on "Computer Based Training". As always, we encourage our users to keep us informed of their RYG application needs. It is our goal to make RYG as user friendly as possible. If you need more information on the RYG program, don't hesitate to call DSN 684-1690, extension 473, or commercial (603) 431-9460, extension 473. You can also e-mail batchelderwv@navsea.navy.mil.

TRIVIA CORNER

Last Issue's Trivia Question	*This Issue's Trivia Question:*
What was the original name of the U.S presidential retreat Camp David?	**What two countries fought the Battle of the Coral Sea?**
Answer: Shangri-La	Answer: *In next issue…*